of Messrs. C. Raman Pillai, B. A., L. T., A. J. John, B. A., L. T., and A. Narayanan Tampi, B. A. (Oxon.), as Headmasters on probation in the three new High Schools. The former two are senior first grade teachers eligible for promotion as Headmasters.

(*c*) The member is referred to the answer furnished to question No. 226 [362] asked by Mr. M. R. Madhava Variar on the 19th January, 1924.

*Transfer of Teachers to their native Places.*

9. MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): (*a*) In view of the low pay of the teachers of vernacular schools and the present cost of living, will the Government be pleased to direct the Inspector and the Inspectress of vernacular schools to transfer as many teachers as possible, especially women, to their native villages and towns or to centres as near such places as possible?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to require the inspecting agency to record reasons in future for effecting transfers in violation of the principle above indicated?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The Inspector of Vernacular Schools and the Inspectress of Girls' Schools have already received the necessary instructions in the matter. (*Vide* the Director's Circular* No. VII, dated the 22nd April, 1915, a copy of which is laid on the table.) Government do not consider that any further instructions are necessary.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to answer how many transfers have been effected by the Inspector and Inspectress of Vernacular Schools in violation of Circular No. VII of 1915?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Government have no statistics before them; but if the member requires, they will be called for.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): Have the Government any means of ascertaining the reasons underlying transfers of teachers in violation of the aforesaid circular?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Government are not aware whether any transfers have been effected at all in violation of the rules.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): In the circumstances, would it not be desirable from the standpoint of the Government that the Inspector and the Inspectress should be required to record their reasons for transferring teachers in violation of the said circular?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Under the circular it will be seen that "all teachers applying for transfers to schools at or near their native villages should, to the extent possible, have their request granted except in cases where there is reason to fear that transfers to native places may prove detrimental to the interests of the schools." The reason assigned in that circular can be the only reason

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for transferring teachers in violation of the general principle enunciated therein.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*) : Are not the Government raising a conclusive presumption in favour of the Inspector and the Inspectress of schools when they presume that transfers would only be effected in conformity with the circular ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : That is a presumption that they may make in favour of the officers of Government until it is disproved.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*) : Is there no possibility that the Inspector and the Inspectress may misbehave occasionally ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : If any such instance is brought to the notice of the Government, proper notice will be taken.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*) : Is it not desirable that the Inspector and the Inspectress should be required to record their reasons for transfers ?

MR. S. PARMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Government do not consider it necessary.

*Transfer of Teachers to their native Places.*

10. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*) : (*a*) In view of the low pay of the teachers of vernacular schools and the present cost of living, will the Government be pleased to direct the Inspector and the Inspectress of vernacular schools to transfer as many teachers as possible, especially women, to their native villages and towns or to centres as near such places as possible ?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to ask the inspecting agency to record reasons in future for effecting transfers in violation of the principle above indicated ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : The member is referred to the answer to question No. 9.

*Nayar Regulation Amendment Bill.*

11. MR. L. R. RAJA RAJA VARMA KOILTAMPURAN (*Edavagai*) : Will the Government be pleased to place on the table copies of the several petitions, protests and criticisms they have received from the public at large on the Nayar Regulation Amendment Bill now under consideration in the Council ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : As the petitions are too voluminous to be printed and circulated, they have been made available in original for perusal by the members by being placed in the Chief Secretary's room in the Jubilee Hall premises.

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## Appendix II.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 9.**

Circular No. VII of 1915.

Inspecting Officers are requested to effect all transfers of teachers necessary in the interests of the schools or for the convenience of the persons concerned before the end of the current vacation, so that there may not be any occasion to make a transfer during the course of the next school year. Transfers involving change of Range may, if necessary, be recommended to this office. All teachers applying for transfers to schools at or near their native villages should, to the extent possible, have their request granted except in cases where there is reason to fear that transfers to native places may prove detrimental to the interests of the schools.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction, Trivandrum, 22nd April, 1915.

P. RAMASWAMY AIYAR,
*For Director of Public Instruction.*

## STATEMENTS LAID ON THE TABLE.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Financial Secretary to Government*): Under Rule 52 of the Legislative Council Rules, I beg to place on the table the following statement of expenditure authorised by the Government under Section 16 (9) of the Legislative Council Regulation, II of 1097.

| | Amount. | | | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Rs. | ch. | c. | |
| Demand XII—Education. | 500 | 0 | 0 | For the transmission of articles of furniture, equipment, &c., from His Highness the Maha Raja's College to the College of Arts. |
| Do. | 31,167 | 0 | 0 | On account of the additional expenditure required in connection with the bifurcation of the College. |
| Demand XV—Medical Department. | 288 | 9 | 8 | To meet the expenditure incurred in connection with the plague observation station at Aramboly. |
| Demand XX—Public Works Department. | 15,000 | 0 | 0 | For urgent works carried out and in progress in the Arts College and Science College buildings. |

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): With reference to the answer to the supplementary question to question No. 331 asked by Mr. M. N. Pillai at the meeting of the Council held on the 9th June, 1924, a statement containing the information asked for is laid on the table. (*Vide* Statement subjoined.)

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